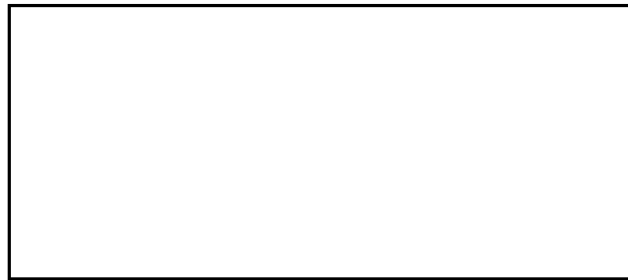


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Heavy rains have fallen throughout Fukien<sup>1</sup> in 1952, causing high water in all the rivers and floods in some areas. Details released by the Chinese Communists follow:

- a. On 12 May 1952 over 2,000 mou of farmland were flooded at Foochow.
- b. On 19 May four villages and 1,000 mou of land were flooded in Minch'ing (118-50, 26-12). One house and 12 dams were destroyed.
- c. On 19 May heavy rains near Loyuan (119-33, 26-27) caused floods which covered approximately 12,100 mou.
- d. Since mid-May the daily rainfall in the interior of Fukien has averaged over 60 mm.
- e. In the Yungch'un (118-13, 25-16) area, rainfall reached a daily high of 232 mm.
- f. In the 10 districts of P'ush'eng (118-29, 28-01), floods destroyed 8 bridges, 32 stone and earth embankments, and 64 houses.
- g. The upper Min River reached a dangerous level, reading 68.06 (sic) at Nanp'ing on 25 May.
- h. On 26 May at 2:00 a.m. the Min River overflowed its banks at Foochow. On 27 May the waters receded, but at midnight on 28 May began to rise again. They had not subsided appreciably by 30 May.
- i. At Ningte (119-33, 26-39) over 1,800 mou of farmland were flooded. Tat'ien (117-44, 25-44), Tehua (118-08, 25-27) and Yuch'i (118-06, 26-13) each had

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1.  Comment.  in early April 1952 areas in southern Fukien, particularly near Chinchiang, were suffering from drought and some 400,000 mou of paddy fields could not be cultivated. A New China News Agency radio broadcast of 27 May and press reports of early June also referred to drought in parts of Fukien.

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